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LOCAL DOCTOR SENTENCED ON OXYCODONE DISTRIBUTION CHARGES

Tampa, FL - United States Attorney A. Brian Albritton announces that U.S. District Judge Elizabeth A. Kovachevich today sentenced Dr. Kevin Mark Denny (age 54, of Tierra Verde), a physician licensed in Florida, to 70 months in federal prison and three years supervised release for two counts of dispensing and distributing oxycodone, hydrocodone, and alprazolam (xanax) outside the scope of professional practice. The Court also ordered Denny to forfeit his DEA license and his Florida medical license and entered a money judgment in the amount of the proceeds Denny earned from his crimes. Denny had pleaded guilty on August 13, 2009.

According to court documents, Denny, who held a valid DEA registration number in connection with his medical practice that enabled him to write prescriptions for controlled substances, wrote and sold numerous prescriptions for oxycodone, hydrocodone and xanax, to individuals without any doctor-patient relationship and without adequate, or any, physical examination or diagnosis. Denny wrote these prescriptions on prescription pads that listed his home -- not an office -- address and his cellular telephone number.

This case was investigated by the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) and the Tampa Police Department. It was prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Kelley C. Howard-Allen.